# University Neighborhood Plan Feedback Forms



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#### VISION STATEMENT

Please review the following Vision Statement and leave comments in the space provided below the section. You may also use the back of the page for additional comments.

The University Neighborhood is a diverse, actively engaged community with residents who live in quiet single-family residences and higher density housing serving both the Neighborhood and the University. Residents take pleasure in views of and access to the beautiful Box Springs Mountains and proximity to the vibrant educational and cultural resources of the University of California at Riverside. The University Neighborhood enjoys convenient and pleasant shopping in retail areas surrounding the campus, which are comfortable and attractive meeting places for the Neighborhood and UCR. The University Neighborhood appreciates its quality public facilities including schools, parks, a community/senior center, attractive streetscapes and well-preserved, natural open spaces. The University Neighborhood benefits from excellent accessibility to UCR via pedestrian and bike pathways, to Downtown and the Riverside Marketplace via Bus Rapid Transit, auto and bicycles and access to the region via the freeways and the Downtown Metrolink Station.

## LAND USE

Please review the following Objective and Policies and leave comments in the space provided below each statement. You may also use the back of the page for additional comments.

#### Land Use Objective:

Enhance the University Neighborhood's quality of life through protecting single family areas, providing quality, affordable housing and enhancing neighborhood shopping.

- LU Policy 1: Protect and maintain the single-family residential areas located primarily east of Watkins Drive and the pockets of single-family areas located west of Watkins Drive.
- **LU Policy 2:** Provide quality, affordable rental housing for University Neighborhood residents, students, faculty and staff.
- LU Policy 3: Implement Mixed-use Zoning at existing commercial centers to increase the level of neighborhood shopping and pedestrian amenities, upgrade the tenant mixes and encourage private sector investment.
- LU Policy 4: Create a Neighborhood / City Residential Revitalization Area for the Mixed Density Residential Area.
- LU Policy 5: Upgrade University Avenue as a location for community and University related housing and commercial areas as well as enhancing University Neighborhood's accessibility to Downtown and the Riverside Marketplace.

### CIRCULATION AND MOBILITY

Please review the following Objective and Policies and leave comments in the space provided below each statement. You may also use the back of the page for additional comments.

#### Circulation and Mobility Objective:

Enhance the University Neighborhood's quality of life through solving parking problems, improving all modes of transportation and upgrading hiking trails.

- **CM Policy 1:** Eliminate the proliferation of non-resident parking that takes place within existing single-family residential sub-areas of the University Neighborhood.
- CM Policy 2: Change the current traffic and parking configuration of Watkins Drive by converting it to a multi-functional Parkway serving the University Neighborhood and the University. (See also the Public Realm Tools for Watkins Drive Parkway).
- **CM Policy 3**: Enhance all existing alternative modes of transportation within the University Neighborhood, including buses, bicycles, and walking.
- CM Policy 4: Implement and supplement the unique network of hiking trails that can connect the University Neighborhood with local and regional open spaces.
- CM Policy 5: Enhance public transportation in the University Neighborhood.

## PUBLIC REALM

Please review the following Objective and Policies and leave comments in the space provided below each statement. You may also use the back of the page for additional comments.

#### Public Realm Objective:

Enhance the University Neighborhood's quality of life through improvements to school and park sites, upgrading streetscapes and protecting open space and conservation areas.

- PR Policy 1: The Public Realm should be viewed as a connected network of the University Neighborhood's public elements creating both a pleasant environmental experience and providing a framework for the preservation, enhancement and development of the Private Realm of residential and commercial areas.
- **PR Policy 2**: Upgrade or add needed Public Facilities to the Public Realm serving the University Neighborhood.
- **PR Policy 3**: The Public Realm should be systematically upgraded over time through a cooperative effort involving the University Neighborhood, the City of Riverside and UCR.
- PR Policy 4: Protect all open spaces and wildlife areas within the Neighborhood from outside impacts, including inappropriate residential developments, inappropriate activities and/or illegal activities.
- **PR Policy 5**: Improve University Neighborhood access to adjacent open space and conservation areas for community enjoyment while maintaining their integrity.
- **PR Policy 6**: Create a public information and educational program that relates to the Public Realm terms of function, aesthetics and public safety.